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**PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF ALLAYAR SALEH AS IRANIAN  
AMBASSADOR TO THE US.** The Embassy in Tehran reports  
that Allayar Saleh has been proposed as the next  
Iranian Ambassador to the United States.

Despite a long  
association with Americans, he has recently publically  
stated his opposition to Point IV and to military aid  
to Iran.

Despite Ambassador Henderson's known opposition,  
Saleh was the National Front leader most favored by  
the Shah to take Mossadeq's place prior to the latter's  
resignation on 16 July. The proposal to send him to  
Washington may be due to Mossadeq's desire to remove  
him from the Tehran political scene.

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